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In re application of

Confirmation No. 4327

Shinji OKUDA et al.

Docket No. 2001 0464A

Serial No. 09/831,453

: Group Art Unit 1733

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Examiner G.J. PIAZZA CORCORAN

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MOLDING BEAD

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 HE COMINGSTONER IS AUTHORIZED O CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Sir:

Petition hereby is made for a two month extension of time to respond to the communication of November 7, 2003.

The fee of \$420.00 is

- (X) submitted herewith.
- () to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.
- () Small entity status of this application is established by a Small Entity Status Assertion which
 - () is enclosed.
 - () has been previously submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

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